

CONSOLIDATION AND REPUBLICAN VICTORY THE OUTLOOK.

KEEN INTEREST DISPLAYED BY VOTERS IN IMPORTANT MATTER.

Progressive Business Men of Town Recognize and Realize the Advantages to the Town.

HAVE EVERYTHING TO GAIN

And Nothing to Lose Except the Name of the Town for One of Greater Fame—Will Be Saving of Large Sums of Money.

One of the most important questions to be decided by the voters at tomorrow's election is the consolidation of Connellsville and New Haven. This weighty matter has been given serious and careful consideration by many of the voters and it is believed that the final decision will be in favor of consolidation. It is generally realized, and that the proposition to consolidate will be carried at the polls tomorrow.

The great majority of the New Haven people have come to the realization that they have nothing to lose and everything to gain by joining with Connellsville and making a bigger and better town. While there are some who are opposed to the measure, either through selfishness or ignorance, these obstructionists appear to be greatly in the minority. The main and principal idea is to have a greater town, a more important center and more economical government. It seems foolish, as some of them have put it, to have two governments for a place with only a river spanned by a free bridge between.

The strength of a united, bigger and more important town was well displayed in the freedom of the "Tough bridge of tolls," said a prominent business man at New Haven this morning. "We would be paying tolls yet, and for years to come, had there not been an effort put forth by Connellsville and aided by several New Haven merchants. But if Connellsville and New Haven had been one big town at the time, no difficulty would have been encountered in this affair. (New Haven would have paid toll for a 100 years if Connellsville had not helped. This is only one example of the advantages of being united. What is of interest to New Haven is of interest to Connellsville and vice versa. Both towns will stand better by standing together."

While the obstructionists harangue and prevent no arguments, those in favor of consolidation put forth unanswerable logic. The agreement which was framed by the New Haven Council after long and careful consideration, was adopted by the Connellsville Council practically as it was originally framed, and not an item or reservation changed save the ward divisions of Connellsville. It gives New Haven two wards and Connellsville five wards. The additional ward in Connellsville was not a provision caused by the Consolidation movement, and Connellsville will have to make another ward in any event. The Fourth Ward of Connellsville has grown enormously. There are now in the ward 918 registered voters, a vote too large to be cared for at one polling place; and it will be necessary at some very near date to ask the court to make a division of this ward. But in laying out the wards it was thought proper to divide them up in a more equitable manner. This was done, but not to the disadvantage of New Haven.

In New Haven the ward lines have been carefully and wisely drawn. The lines were made after consultation with practically half of the population. Everyone who desired had a right and privilege to help in fixing these lines to the very best advantage. In the whole matter there has evidently been nothing but a square deal. Criticism and comment were openly and freely invited.

A most special provision in the agreement reserves the New Haven Public Building for public purposes. The volunteer firemen of the town will retain their present quarters.

An important matter which is of vital interest to New Haven as well as to Connellsville is the installation of a sewer system and sewage disposal plant along the lines laid down by the State Department of Health. It is absolutely necessary to comply with these requirements, and the consolidated borough would save many thousands of dollars; besides New Haven could not get a more efficient sewage system than it has at present. The whole of Greenwood is practically without sewer and when this change is made all of this district, including the Hill would be benefited. It is after all, the New Haven consolidationists declare.

ANOTHER FIRE.

Vanderbilt Is Visited by Second Conflagration Today.

VANDERBILT, Feb. 15.—Fire was discovered this morning in the store of John Popovich, just three doors from the scene of the former disaster. One fire, but it was extinguished before great damage had been done. The building is occupied by a pool room and club room. Members of the club discovered the fire and extinguished it before it had gained any headway. It is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

HUSBAND IS KILLED BY WIFE'S VISITOR

Frank Cole Accused of Murdering William Sanders With Heavy Poker Saturday.

Becoming enraged at finding Frank Cole and Mrs. Sanders in a room together with the door locked, William F. Sanders of Mt. Braddock grappled with the intruder and in the fight which ensued was killed. Cole struck the intruder over the head with a heavy iron poker, inflicting him so badly that he died 10 minutes later without recovering consciousness. Cole later surrendered himself to Night Watchman J. A. Moody at Mt. Braddock and accompanied him to Duquesne, where he was locked up. A coroner's jury held an inquest over Sanders at Duquesne and recommended that Cole be held to answer before the Grand Jury for the killing. Sanders returned to his Mt. Braddock home yesterday evening to find his wife and Cole in the same room with the door locked. Hot words passed between the two men and they grappled. As they rolled towards the fireplace, Cole grabbed the poker and struck Sanders over the head with it. Just then Mrs. Sanders, who had run away when her husband arrived, returned and intercepted the second blow Cole attempted to strike. Mrs. Sanders was held as a witness, and was locked up in jail this morning.

LIMITED PLOUGH INTO LANDSLIDE

One Is Seriously Injured in Mishap Near Altoona and Passengers Are Given a Shake Up.

United Press Telegram. ALTOONA, Feb. 15.—The Pennsylvania special, the 13-hour flyer, between Chicago and New York, ran into a landslide at Newton, Pa., about 10 miles east of here, early this morning, overturning the engine, and derailing the combination baggage car and three sleepers, filled with passengers. The train was going at a high rate of speed at the time. H. H. Minges of Jersey City, baggage master was badly injured about the spine. The passengers were shaken up but none injured.

The landslide was caused by the rains and was shaken down by the passing of heavy trains just before the special came through the cut.

Firemen Crushed to Death. NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Battalion Chief Michael Graham and four members of the hook and ladder company were crushed under falling walls early today at a mine which destroyed the box factory of the Pratt Oil works at Williamsburg. Michael Mulhany is dying and others are seriously injured.

Loan Officers Protest. ALTOONA, Feb. 15.—The officers and stockholders of 40 building and loan associations here have prepared formal protests against the adoption of the bill now pending in the Legislature fixing the kind of securities in which the association may deal and otherwise curtailing their earning capacity.

England's King Is Ill. LONDON, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—Information from the palace is to the effect that the King collapsed after his return from Berlin and is not able to open Parliament tomorrow. It leaked out that he fainted while conversing with the Princess of Wales at the British Embassy at Berlin last week.

SOME OF THE UNDOUBTED ADVANTAGES OF CONSOLIDATION.

To New Haven particularly the advantages of Consolidation are: Better public schools and especially a High School which will be the Poor Boy's College.

A Free Library which is in itself a liberal post-graduate education. Free Postal delivery and a Federal Building. More efficient and economical fire protection and consequent cheaper fire insurance.

The advantages of economy incident to co-operation in providing public improvements, especially in the matter of meeting the State's requirements concerning sanitary sewerage systems and sewage disposal plants and the necessity for providing garbage furnaces. In these alone a union of interests will effect a saving in costs estimated at \$50,000, and proportionately New Haven would be much the greater gainer.

The name of Connellsville which is commercially valuable because it is known all over the country. In becoming an integral and an important part of Connellsville New Haven becomes at once the terminus of two more railway systems, giving its citizens three railroads instead of but one as now; it immediately changes from a small and obscure village into a big town which will become a city after the 1910 census.

In a lesser but very material degree these advantages are reflected back upon Connellsville.

Consolidation is, therefore, clearly a Union for the Protection of the Public Welfare, and should receive the vote of every Public Spirited and Progressive Citizen without regard to Politics.

Don't be a Tory; Vote for the Union.

BANKS ARE CLOSED ON B. & O. PAY DAY

Checks Will Be Issued Tomorrow But It Comes on Election Day.

MONEY WILL BE SCARCE

Saturday Was Good Day for Merchants as There Were Many Men Paid Off in This Section—West Penn. Travel Was Unusually Heavy.

It is announced that the Baltimore & Ohio railroad will pay off the men on the Connellsville and Pittsburgh divisions tomorrow. This is a bad day for the banks and hotels, as both the banks and hotels will be closed on account of the election. Although the men will get their checks tomorrow, only a small portion of them will be able to get their money until the day after. The pay this month will fall below the standard, it is said.

After four disagreeable Saturdays the business men of town had the advantage of favorable weather on the closing day of last week. The mild weather had the effect of bringing hundreds of pedestrians down town and from early in the evening until late at night there were more shoppers on the streets than have been seen for weeks past.

The West Penn. also had a busy Saturday night. Business was better, it is said, than since the Saturday night immediately following Christmas. The travel yesterday was as light as usual, however.

Another feature which made Saturday unusually lively was the fact that it was payday at many works of this neighborhood. The Frick company paid off its men Saturday as did many factories.

HISTORIC EVENT.

Recalled To Day By Dedication of Anchor in Arlington Cemetery. WASHINGTON, D. C. Feb. 15.—(Special.)—In the presence of a distinguished assemblage of officials and a great crowd the Officers' Anchor of the battleship Maine, which was mined in Havana harbor 11 years ago today, was dedicated in Arlington cemetery this afternoon. It is a part of the monument to the sailors of the Maine buried under the granite shaft. Admiral Sigsbee, commander of the ill-fated battleship delivered the principal address.

Usual Prosecutions Made.

UNIONTOWN, Feb. 15.—The usual prosecutions for Sunday selling were made yesterday. Twelve Connellsville merchants, eight from Uniontown and one from Brownsville were prosecuted. The Pittsburgh papers sent a fresh crop of newboys, who were photographed, as usual, but no arrests resulted.

Borough Treasurer Out.

Borough Treasurer J. W. Rutter took advantage of the fine weather this morning to come down town for the first time in several weeks. Mr. Rutter does not venture out when the weather is bad.

ACID IN HIS EYES.

Foreigner Meets With Assault at Continental No. 3.

UNIONTOWN, Feb. 15.—Two Americans assaulted George Ostophin, a Continental No. 3 Saturday evening just after he had been paid off. One of them threw acid in his eyes and held a revolver at his chest while the other took \$47 in money, his watch and chain and a prayer book. They then disappeared.

Ostophin was on his way to Revere at the time. He was in great pain and immediately went to Uniontown to have his eye treated. The matter was not reported to the police until this morning.

SUPREME COURT AFFIRMS DECISION.

Holds That Corrupt Practices Act is Constitutional in Fayette County.

BYRNE-VAN SWEARINGEN AUDIT.

Was The Subject Upon Which Decision Was Rendered at Noon Today. Further Steps in Contest To Be Taken By Litigants.

Word was received in Connellsville at noon today that the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania had affirmed the decision of the Superior Court in holding that the Corrupt Practices Act, relating to the filing of expense accounts and auditing of the same was constitutional.

The question came up from the Superior Court in the case of Van Swearingen and Byrne, at the instance of William Linkins and others on petition that an audit of accounts be made of the expenses incident to last fall's election.

The Fayette County courts held that the law is unconstitutional for the reason that it had been passed at a session of the Legislature which did not specially state that it was called for that purpose. The Superior Court reversed this decision and the Supreme Court today affirmed the decision of the Superior Court.

Attorney B. C. Higgins who argued the case before the Supreme Court stated at noon that he did not know what further action would be taken, but he supposed that the case would not be dropped. He said: "We shall take all proper measures; that we think right," and further than that he did not discuss the case.

DEFEAT KNOX BILL.

Congress Votes Against Provision To Make Him Cabinet Member. WASHINGTON, D. C. Feb. 15.—(Special.)—The bill enabling Senator Knox to be Secretary of State was defeated in the House by a vote of 175 yeas to 123 nays. A two-thirds vote was required to pass the bill.

Disorderly and Drunk.

George and Roe Brown of South Connellsville were arrested Saturday night for disorderly conduct and fined by Burgess Solison yesterday morning. Two drunks were given the usual sentence.

EVANS SEEMS TO BE WINNER IN THE CONTEST FOR BURGESS.

His Straight Out Policy and Alliance With No Faction Gives Him the Better Chance With Voters.

STORM IN THE WEST.

Telegraph Lines Are Broken Down By Heavy Fall of Sleet.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—A large part of the United States west of here is cut off today from telegraphic communication, with the rest of the world by a sleet storm which is prevailing in the middle west.

The telegraph and telephone wires are encrusted with ice and have broken because of the weight. The railroads are running without telegraphic aid or the block signals.

ANOTHER CHANGE AT THE WEST PENN.

Not Officially Announced But It Is Known That R. N. Hodgson Has Resigned.

Although efforts are apparently being made to suppress the information by the electric light officials, it is reported on good authority that R. N. Hodgson, chief solicitor for the West Penn Electric Company in this district, has tendered his resignation. Mr. Hodgson could not be seen this morning.

At the offices of the electric company it was stated there was no knowledge of the resignation. District Superintendent Ottom was not in, and verification of the report could not be secured from him, but H. G. Glass, who has charge of the entire district south of Connellsville, denied knowing anything of the matter.

For the past year changes in the West Penn have been so numerous that it is becoming quite a task to keep track of all the officials. When W. E. Moore resigned as General Manager he was succeeded by George R. Folds who left the company last September. Mr. Folds's departure was followed a few weeks later by that of General Superintendent L. H. Conklin and a reorganization of the executive department followed with W. E. Moore resuming the reins of management. As Operating Manager, with headquarters in Pittsburgh, the various departments are in charge of as many officials but there is no official in Connellsville who ranks over all of the others.

The lighting department suffered more by these changes than any other. Superintendent of Transportation J. W. Brown has full control of the operating department but the lighting and is divided into two districts, with headquarters of the superintendents in Greensburg and Connellsville.

Another change which was announced this morning was the transfer of N. A. Leonard, former chief clerk to L. H. Conklin, to the office of W. E. Moore in Pittsburgh. Mr. Leonard left this morning to take up his new duties.

A new face appeared among the clerical employees of the West Penn this morning when Miss Vella Decker began her duties as ticket counter in the office of C. A. Purbaugh. Miss Decker is the daughter of Motorman Decker of East Connellsville.

REMARKABLE WINTER WEATHER EXPERIENCED

Thermometer this Morning Registered 62 Degrees Discouraging Southern Trips.

The present season has been a bad one for the advocates of southern trips to avoid the cold weather of winter. For the past few days the thermometer has registered degrees that are almost too warm to be comfortable. This morning the West Penn recorded 62, which is remarkably high for February. Last night it was 60, having risen from 53 since yesterday morning.

The Yough river is higher than usual and appears normal. Whatever snow might have been left in the mountains is fast disappearing under the balmy influence of the past few warm days.

Wreck Is Reported.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—It is reported that several persons were killed today in a wreck on the Lake Shore electric train near Vermilion, O. The wires are down and the report is not yet verified.

DEMOCRATIC STEAM ROLLER

Is Working in Behalf of Candidate Buttermore But Is Not Making Votes—The Situation as It Appears in All the Wards of Town.

Tomorrow's election promises to be one of the liveliest that has occurred in Connellsville for many years. The candidates have been making extraordinary canvasses for the borough offices, and the voters are taking more than an ordinary interest in the contest. Some of the candidates have made house-to-house canvasses, and these they declare have been most successful. It's about all over but the shouting, and the indications point to a Republican victory.

The big fight centers upon the election of a Burgess, but there are many other offices in the various wards that command as much attention from the voters and taxpayers. J. Lewis Evans, Republican candidate for Burgess, has devoted practically all of his time since the Primary, to campaigning. He has been making an earnest and effective fight for election, and there is no reason to doubt that he will defeat his Democratic opponent, James W. Buttermore. Buttermore has an up-hill fight on his hands, carrying as he does the mill stone of the old Democratic Steam Roller around his neck. Although he makes rather strenuous public denial of any alliance or connection with any clique or faction, he is said to have privately used the name old Steam Roller when he thought it might aid him in his canvass. It is consequently generally reported and believed that he is a part and parcel of the Marietta-Skillwagon-McCormick political combination. His denial of this affiliation has still further weakened him with people who think candidates should not have political alliances of which they are ashamed.

On the other hand, J. Lewis Evans was nominated in a hotly-contested but fairly-conducted primary against two strong candidates. He is not mixed up in any deal, nor was he headed the nomination on a silver platter that bore the mark of any political boss. He fought the battle at the polls for the honor that he received and is untrammelled in his present campaign by any pledges. He does not have to make excuses or be evasive in election guesses are always of a rather undecided nature. There is really nothing sure before the ballots are counted. But Evans is reasonably sure to carry the First and Second Wards. If the "Bloody Third" does not cut up high flanks such as it has on previous occasions, he should come very nearly splitting even there. The Fourth Ward, in which Buttermore resides, it is claimed will be a stand off; but this ward is Republican, and should give a good majority for Evans. With good majorities in the First and Second Wards, the Third and Fourth Wards can fall behind without serious danger to Evans. Third and Fourth Ward men say that they will give a better account of themselves than it is generally supposed.

In the First Ward there is no real issue, except that of Burgess and Tax Collector. The vote there will be a heavy one, as all the railroad men are interested in this fight. It should run well above 300, and an old Republican majority be secured.

In the Second Ward there is a lively battle, in addition to the war waged by the Republican candidate for Burgess. This is Evans' home ward and his neighbors know and like him well enough to take their coats off and elect him for him. James C. Munson is the candidate for Council opposing Thomas J. Brennan on the Democratic ticket. Munson is a business man of ability and reputation, and although he has not been very active in electioneering he will get the votes for every one in the ward except "Jim" Munson proudly. Thomas J. Brennan has not made such an extraordinary record in the Town Council as some of his constituents would have liked to have had him make, but he is only, after all, an untried term of Rev. J. J. Huston and has had little opportunity to develop municipal statesmanship. The very fact, however, that he is filling a vacancy caused by the death of a Republican, in defiance of the unwritten law which demands that all such vacancies shall be filled by appointment from the same political party, has caused much soreness. Second Ward Republicans have always been

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In Social Circles.

Enjoyable Valentine Party.
A very enjoyable social event was a Valentine party held Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Sullivan at Broad Ford in honor of their daughters, Misses Nettie and Rosella Sullivan. The affair was so cleverly arranged that it was a complete surprise to the young ladies who have been visiting at the home of a friend nearby. On their return home they were greatly surprised by a large number of their friends. The evening was spent in various games and music until a late hour when a bonhomous repast was served. Misses Rosella Sullivan and Nettie Sullivan rendered several very pretty piano and violin solos. A feature of the evening was a prize game, Miss Nettie and Rosella Cochran winning the prizes which were very pretty jewel boxes. The decorations were in keeping with St. Valentine's Day. The honor guests received very many pretty valentines.

Among the out of town guests present were Miss Pauline Cochran of Broad Ford; Misses Lena and Hazel Brown, Frances Carr and Frank Sullivan and Harry Gilbert of Pittsburg; Misses Mary Morgan, Carrie Wright and Eva Times of Conneltsville; Harvey Rush, Misses Nellie Sullivan, Katherine Leche, Albertina of Dunbar; Misses Lillian May, May Lincoln, Fred Wendell, Thomas Sullivan of McKeesport; Misses Garnet Cliza, Irene Cosson, and Grace Sullivan of Uniontown; Glen and Frank Connor, Newton Bender, Harold and Clarence Sullivan and Donald and Clarence Kane of Cumberland.

Bridge and Five Hundred.
Decorations suggestive of St. Valentine's Day were tastefully carried out at a well appointed card party at which Mrs. H. P. Snyder was hostess Saturday afternoon at her home on East Fairview avenue. Seven tables were brought into play for bridge and five hundred, the games played. The first prize at bridge was awarded to Mrs. H. C. Hoffman and the second to Miss Anne White. Miss Margaret Mae Eckard won the first prize at five hundred while the second prize was carried off by Miss Blanche Madigan. A delightful luncheon followed the games. On Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock Mrs. Snyder will entertain at bridge.

Five Hundred Party.
Valentine appointments were cleverly carried out at a pretty arranged card party at which Mrs. J. P. Torrence was hostess Saturday afternoon at her home on First street, New Haven. The hours were from 2:30 until 5 o'clock and five tables were called into play for five hundred, the game played. Large bouquets of red and white carnations and profusions of hearts were used throughout the various apartments. The floors were very pretty valentines. At the close of the games a prettily arranged luncheon was served. Miss Hoffman of Greensburg was an out of town guest present.

Birthday Party.
In honor of her ninth birthday anniversary, Evelyn Whaley, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Whaley, entertained about 45 of her little friends Saturday afternoon between the hours of 2:30 and 5 o'clock. The decorations were suggestive of St. Valentine's Day and the favors were very pretty valentines. Various games were indulged in until after 4 o'clock when a dainty repast was served. The little hostess received many pretty presents in remembrance of the happy occasion.

Names Were Omitted.
In Saturday's issue of The Courier the names of Miss Helen Goldsmith and William Myers were omitted from the program rendered Friday evening in the High School as the result of a typographical error. Miss Goldsmith's number was one of the very best numbers on the program. Her pronunciation was clear and distinct and her manner was easy and graceful. Mr. Myers' selection also came in for a great share of applause.

Thank Offering Services.
The annual thank offering services of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Protestant Church will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the church on West Apple street. A mission and literary program will be rendered. A social hour and refreshments will be served. League Cabinet will meet.

The regular monthly meeting of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held this evening at the home of Miss Elizabeth Williams on York avenue. All members are requested to attend.

To Entertain Saturday.
Mrs. W. L. Wright has issued invitations for a card party to be given Saturday afternoon in the Armory at 2:30 o'clock.

Consider This Well.
Why wait until you are older before starting a reserve fund? The money you save now and deposit in the Citizens National Bank will be an increasing source of financial strength to you. The Citizens National Bank cordially invites you to open an account. Four per cent interest paid on savings accounts. Citizens National Bank, Conneltsville, Pa.

How to Split Your Ticket.
If you wish to vote for a candidate who is not a member of your party, put a cross (X) in the square at the right of each candidate you wish to vote for. If you wish to pit your ticket as above stated, do not put a cross (X) in the circle, as you will lose your vote.—Adv.

Vote for Evans for Burgess.

Large Attendance at Elks' Rehearsal.
Exceptionally Strong Interest Being Taken in the Forthcoming Production by Local Talent.

A full rehearsal of the Elks' Minstrel was given in the Soloson theatre yesterday afternoon with the best attendance that has been had yet. The entire production was gone through under direction of Charles E. Stout and it was successful in every respect. After the rehearsal Mr. Stout commented to a few of his most intimate friends his opinion that the production this year will be better than ever. With the exception of two more rehearsals, everything is in readiness for the production to be given in the Soloson on Thursday and Friday of this week. The boys are better, perfect in their parts and are enthusiastic to have the chance for a most successful performance.

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Shoots Burglar Dead.
George W. Reese of Martins Ferry Kills a Professional.

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Checked To Death.
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Colombus Killed at Crossing.
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Checked To Death.
UNIONTOWN, Feb. 15.—Mike Rak, only aged 37 choked on a piece of beefsteak in Goldstein's restaurant and died before medical aid could be summoned.

Colombus Killed at Crossing.
GREENSBURG, Feb. 15.—Lewie Colombo, 18 years old, was killed last night at the Harrison avenue crossing of the Pennsylvania railroad.

The Weather.
Snow and colder tonight, Tuesday snow surges.

Consider This Well.
Why wait until you are older before starting a reserve fund? The money you save now and deposit in the Citizens National Bank will be an increasing source of financial strength to you. The Citizens National Bank cordially invites you to open an account. Four per cent interest paid on savings accounts. Citizens National Bank, Conneltsville, Pa.

How to Split Your Ticket.
If you wish to vote for a candidate who is not a member of your party, put a cross (X) in the square at the right of each candidate you wish to vote for. If you wish to pit your ticket as above stated, do not put a cross (X) in the circle, as you will lose your vote.—Adv.

Vote for Evans for Burgess.

ONE OUT OF TEN

That's The Proportion of People Who Have Bank Accounts.

In speaking of banking matters, the other day, Cashier E. T. Norton, of the First National bank, said: "Only about one man in ten who needs a bank account actually has one. There are many farmers, bookkeepers, clerks and mechanics who receive and disburse from \$500 to \$1,500 annually without the aid of a bank. Many of them are anxious to have more economical and convenient. It would be to have a checking account with a good bank, but they have the mistaken notion that they must have a large sum to begin with. Now, of course, I can only speak for the First National. We would be glad to have these men open accounts, no matter how small. It would be better for them and better for Conneltsville. Every dollar that finds its way to a good bank benefits not only the depositor, but the entire community in which the bank is located."

Have Gone to New York.
S. W. Metzler and Thomas Collier of Uniontown, left last night for New York where they will join F. W. Wright of the Wright-Metzler Company, and together they will make their purchases of spring and summer goods for the two stores. Before leaving Mr. Metzler announced the promotion of Miss Sara Springer as assistant manager of the millinery department of the Uniontown store. Miss Harriet Ridgeway who has been manager of the millinery department of the Conneltsville store for the past four years, will now have supervision of this department in both stores. She will divide her time between both stores, with a very able assistant.

Don't Change Horses Crossing a Stream.
Why not stick to a good thing? Col. George E. Brown Thelma's next—Adv.

Vote for Evans for Burgess.

Local and Personal Mention.

Joseph Bryte of Wilkesburg visited relatives here over Sunday. He is now in the new "Bryte's" building at the Soloson Theatre, Wednesday, February 15. He is now on a tour of the city, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Squire in New Haven.

Lester Galtman of Donora, Pa., is in town yesterday and the guests of friends.

Mrs. Mary Carroll and grandson, Col. J. H. Reynolds of Uniontown, Pa., left yesterday for Rome, W. Va., to visit the former's daughter, Mrs. Austin Kline.

Phono and pipe organ tuning by H. J. E. Reynolds, Uniontown, Pa. Phone 8812, or P. O. Box 522.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graul left Saturday for Uniontown, where they will make their future home.

Frank Funk of Wilkesburg, visited his parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Funk, over Sunday.

Mrs. Joseph Sedorsky returned home this morning from a visit with relatives in Pittsburg.

Miss Josephine Tuiley has returned home from a visit with friends in Uniontown.

Ira Coulman of New Haven, is in Pittsburg today.

The best of all musical comedies, the "Big Boy" is now being presented at the Soloson Theatre, Wednesday, February 15. Seats now on sale.

Mrs. Rhoda Robinson of Trotter, is visiting relatives at Perryopolis.

Lester Haydon of Uniontown, was in town yesterday enroute to Norfolk.

Mrs. Elizabeth Duggan and daughter, Loretta, and Orylle and Mrs. Hackett, daughter of McKeesport, have returned home after a visit with Mrs. W. E. Penn of Eighth street.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Funk are the guests of friends and relatives in Pittsburg this week.

DIED.
Mrs. Rosa Conlin, aged 34 years, wife of John Conlin, manager of How's store at Dunbar, died this morning at 11 o'clock at her late home on West Apple street after a lingering illness of

Schmitz' Merit Soap 9 for 25c

18,000 ROLLS

Ladies' Rubbers 39c a Pair.

We have just received 18,000 Rolls of the newest patterns in WALL PAPER. Every pattern is new, clean-cut and up-to-date, and the prices this season are away down. Now is the time to make an early selection from the GREATEST STOCK OF WALL PAPER EVER BROUGHT TO CONNELLSVILLE.

Neat designs in Wall Paper, suitable for kitchens, bed rooms, halls, and living rooms, a very pretty assortment to select from. For the best, see us. 2c

Swirl patterns for bed rooms, parlors, reception halls, dining rooms, in fact every room in the house. These papers are printed on extra heavy paper and the colorings and designs are perfect. A wonderful assortment, the best 8c, 10c to 6c

The finest gold finished papers, ingrains, duplex, two-tone, florals, and artistic blended effects in combination and independent patterns, bolt 50c down 10c

SCHMITZ' New York Racket Store

Boys' School Shoes, 9 to 13 1/2, 99c

Curtain Stretchers 99c Set

Where the Trouble Lies.
How Best To Avoid It—Facts Every Body Ought to Know.

The great danger in colds of this season of the year is that they lead to pneumonia and consumption.

The moment you begin to take patent medicines and so-called cough cures, the majority of which depend entirely on nerve-deadening drugs for their effect, you weaken the body.

That takes away the vital force necessary to ward off disease, and the grip and pneumonia germs develop, and because the body is weakened is why pneumonia is so often fatal.

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tuberculosis. Requires high mass was celebrated this morning at 9 o'clock at the Immaculate Conception Church in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends of the deceased, Rev. Father J. T. Burns was the celebrant.

Interment in St. Joseph's cemetery. Mrs. Conlin was the daughter of John McDermott of West Apple street. She was born in Maryland and when quite a small child her parents moved to Erie county. Mr. McDermott was employed for many years. Fifteen years ago she was married to John Conlin of Wabers.

She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church and had a wide circle of friends who will regret to learn of her untimely end.

She had been a sufferer of tuberculosis for the past several years. In addition to her husband and four small children she is survived by her father, step-mother and the following brothers: John, Harry, and William. Mrs. Conlin was a well known hardware man of town. He is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. Catherine Horner, Mrs. Anna Smith, and Mrs. Mary Smith. Mrs. Conlin died about six years ago. Mr. Conlin died about six years ago. Mr. Conlin was a well known hardware man of town. He is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. Catherine Horner, Mrs. Anna Smith, and Mrs. Mary Smith.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Immaculate Conception Church over the remains of the late William W. Brown. Rev. David Jones, the pastor, officiated. Interment in Chestnut Hill cemetery.

Mr. Brown is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. Leavada Schumann of Conneltsville, and Mrs. Mary Haney of Pittsburg, and a son, Jesse, who is at home. He is also survived by five grandchildren.

Funeral of Samuel Criss.
A large number of old soldiers of this place attended the funeral of Comrade Samuel Criss, who died at his home in Pittsburg, last Friday. It was held at rest in the cemetery at Kichburg Saturday afternoon.

EYES CURED IN 8 TO 14 DAYS.
PAID OR REFUND. No matter how long you have suffered from cataracts, cures any case of itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Eyes in 8 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

FOR SICK CHILDREN.
Mrs. Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, Who Has Done So Much Good Among Sick Children of New York, Recommends Vinol.

"In my work among the destitute sick I give Vinol. In many cases when it would be impossible to give any other medicine, Vinol has cured the patient's stomach. I have known Vinol to restore appetite and infuse new life in many cases of sick women and children when everything else failed. Little children seem to delight in taking Vinol."

The reason Vinol is so far superior to old-fashioned cod liver oil and emulsions is because it contains all the medicinal, body-building elements of cods' livers with the disagreeable oil eliminated and tonic iron added.

As a body builder and strength creator for old people, weak women, delicate children, after sickness and for all pulmonary troubles, Vinol is recommended by over 5,000 of the leading druggists of the United States. Your money will be returned on demand if Vinol fails to benefit.

Graham & Co., Druggists, Conneltsville.

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AFTER INVENTORY SALE

A Sweeping Clean-Up of Odds and Ends and Surpluses at Prices Cut to the Quick.

Stock taking is over and a final clearance is in order—odds and ends, remnants and all stock surpluses in coats, suits, skirts, waists, furs, misses' and children's apparel must go at once, decks must be cleared for the spring campaign. Consequently we have made price reductions that will astonish even the most seasoned shopper. We have created bargains that offer the greatest saving opportunities of the season—and they will be savings, not of cents but of DOLLARS.

This is the only exclusive ready-to-wear house in Fayette county and consequently offers the widest varieties in the newest and best wear-things. Now you can choose from the remaining stock of our great assortment and pay prices that in many instances do not equal their actual cost.

Read every item in the space below. Each bears a message of wonderful savings possible in this After Inventory Sale which starts Monday. Come every day and save every time you buy.

Final Reductions on Smart Winter Coats and Suits

We were surprised at the number of suits left after the inventory, but we will be much more surprised if any are left after the first few days of this sale.

Women's Suits

Women's clever Tailor-made Suits that sold for \$22.50, \$25.00 and up to \$32.50; Prince Chap, cutaway and fancy trimmed styles, in all materials and colors; most all sizes in stock from 12 to 47; special for this After Stock Taking Sale

\$11.90

25 suits to close out; suits worth up to \$25.00; your choice to the first come, first served at

\$5.90

(No returns or exchanges.)



If you need a coat for the rest of the winter and early spring wear, here is your chance—you've never had a chance like it before.

Women's Coats

52-inch Coats, in black chiffon, broadcloth, Empire models, plain tailored or satin trimmed, all sizes; coats worth up to \$35.00; After Inventory Sale Price

\$13.75

One lot of Ladies' and Misses Coats to close out, loose hung with collar or collarless, all sizes; coats worth up to \$10.00, your choice

\$1.90

(No returns or exchanges.)

Out Go the Waists.

And they go at prices which entitles their buyers to a good smile every time they wear them.

Beautiful new White Lawn Lingerie Waists, spring styles, exquisitely trimmed with dainty lace and insertion, long sleeves with pointed cuffs, \$1.50 value, Special

89c

Fine \$4.00 White or Ecru Net Waists, trimmed with medallions and fine val. lace, positively a good value at \$4.00; Special for this sale

\$1.90



One lot of Ladies' Lawn Waists, nicely made and trimmed with insertion, waists worth up to \$1.25, slightly soiled, your choice for this sale

39c

Skirts Reduced.

200 Skirts made of Panama or serges, in black, blue, brown and mixtures, skirts that regularly sell at \$5.50 up to \$7.50; After Inventory Sale Price

3.40

Skirts made of the very best Altman Voile, some are gored, others are pleated, trimmed with satin and buttons; regular \$12.50, \$15 and up to \$18.75; After Inventory Sale Price

\$8.90

One lot of Ladies' and Misses Skirts, to close out; come in checks and stripes, in this lot you will find skirts worth up to \$12.50; your choice

98c

SILK PETTICOATS—made of the very best rusting taffeta, come in black and colors, nicely made and full width; positively a good \$6.50 value; After Inventory Sale Price

3.90

Misses and Childrens Garments Reduced.

MISSES' COATS.

Blue, brown and green kerseys, and plaid worsteds, made full length, splendidly tailored, sizes 6 to 14; worth up to \$8.50; After Inventory Sale Price

\$3.40

One lot of Bearskin Coats, in all colors, white, blue, brown, red and gray, coats fully worth \$3.00; After Inventory Sale Price

\$1.20

WOMEN'S SHORT KID GLOVES, in brown, tan, black and white, one or two clasp styles, Pan's Pointe embroidered back, regularly sell for \$1 and \$1.25; After Inventory Price

59c

Furs—Final Reductions.

Seldom, if ever, have such excellent furs been offered at prices as low as these. But we must get rid of them without delay.

Furs—Over 200 pieces to select from, consisting of American Mink, Jap Mink, Lynx, German Lynx, Pointed Fox, Caracul, Coney. Prices range from \$1 to \$90; After Inventory Sale just pay

Half the Marked Prices.

Owing to the fact that we are cramped for room we are forced to dispose of our ready trimmed hats. Hats worth \$3.50, \$5 and up to \$10, your choice for this sale

\$1.90

No exchanges or returns.



Sale Starts Monday, February 15, 9 A. M.

Muslin Underwear.

ONE LOT OF MUSLIN SKIRTS, worth up to \$1.50, slightly soiled from handling, your choice

75c values.....58c
\$1.00 values.....70c
\$1.50 values.....\$1.19
\$2.00 values.....\$1.39
DRAWERS
25c values.....18c
50c values.....37c
75c values.....58c
\$1.00 values.....79c

\$1.50 values.....\$1.19
ONE LOT OF CORSET COVERS, worth up to 50c, slightly soiled; sale price.....17c
50c values.....37c
75c values.....58c
\$1.00 values.....79c
\$1.50 values.....\$1.19
\$2 values.....\$1.45

Special Items.

WOMEN'S VESTS AND PANTS.

Heavy cotton fleeced ones with high neck and long sleeves, in all sizes, positively worth 25c; this sale, price

17c

WOMEN'S HOSIERY.

Full fashioned stockings with double heel and toe, 25c grade, sale price

17c

Children's Stockings, worth up to 25c; Special for this sale

15c

FELDSTEIN'S

136 North Pittsburg St., Connellsville, Pa.

Special Items.

WOMEN'S BELTS.

Large assortment of fancy Kid Crush Belts, also Elastic and Silk Belts, worth 50c and 75c; After Inventory Sale Price

29c

WOMEN'S COLLARS.

Stiff laundered, white with colored dots and figures, slightly soiled, 25c values; After Inventory Sale Price

11c

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MONDAY EVENING, FEB. 13, 1906.

VOTE FOR THE UNION;
DON'T BE A MODERN TORY!

Sifted and analyzed and reduced to its original elements, the opposition to Consolidation rests upon personal Pique, personal JEALOUSY, and personal IGNORANCE.

The WISDOM of Consolidation has been clearly shown. It has been fully demonstrated that it is demanded by EVERY CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC GOOD, PRIVATE INTEREST AND COMMUNAL ADVANCEMENT.

NOT ONE HONEST NOR WORTHY OBJECTION HAS BEEN URGED AGAINST IT.

Consolidation means, instead of two separate boroughs in one common community, a new and bigger town with ENLARGED COMMERCIAL POSSIBILITIES, ENHANCED ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT, AND GREATER OPPORTUNITY FOR OUTWARD EXPANSION AND INWARD IMPROVEMENT.

For more than half a century this community has stood forth as the leading commercial and manufacturing town of Fayette county, and THAT REPUTATION HAS BEEN WORTH MUCH TO ITS PEOPLE. They have profited greatly by reason thereof. They know this and they realize THE NECESSITY FOR MAINTAINING THAT REPUTATION. To do so, they also know that it is now necessary to consolidate into one town the two boroughs making up that community in order that the new town will take its classification after the coming census and keep its place in the same class with the only rival town in the county.

Unless this is done UNIONTOWN WILL BE RATED AS THE GREATER TOWN and the country will be willing to lead ear to its claims to the honor of being not only the leading but the greatest going town in the county. This reputation WILL ADD TO UNIONTOWN'S PROSPERITY AT THE EXPENSE OF CONNELLSVILLE'S OPPORTUNITY, and we will start to go backward instead of forward. When the tide begins to ebb it is not within the power of man to stay its course.

Both Connelville and New Haven are therefore at the turning point. We must treat both of them as one town because whether they are under one government or two, they are ONE COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALLY, and as each BENEFITS by the other's PROSPERITY so must each SUFFER by reason of the other's ADVERSITY. Their INTERESTS are INDIVISIBLY CONNECTED and for this reason if for no other their UNION SHOULD BE COMPLETE in order that the FULL MEASURE of their strength may be exerted for their JOINT ADVANCEMENT and their COMMON PROSPERITY.

Elsewhere are enumerated some of the immediate and special advantages of Consolidation. There are others, no doubt, and still others will develop as time goes on. Against them absolutely no valid objections have been urged. The few that have been suggested have been fairly and fully met and refuted. It is evident to every intelligent mind that CONSOLIDATION is for the COMMON GOOD, just as much as the FEDERAL UNION planned by the Fathers of the Constitution was designed among other things to promote the PUBLIC WELFARE.

A vote against Consolidation is, therefore, a vote AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY and of every INDIVIDUAL MEMBER of it. We beg the citizen who contemplates such suicidal action to pause and reflect that he is voting against the welfare of his neighbor as well as that of himself.

A vote for Consolidation is a vote for the PROGRESS and PROSPERITY of the WHOLE COMMUNITY.

Vote for the Union; DON'T BE A MODERN TORY!

THE MORAL OBLIGATIONS OF A PRIMARY ELECTION.

Many men boast that they vote for "the best man" in local elections, while being strict party men in national affairs.

This sort of independence is frequently more whimsical than wise, because "the best man" they refer to is only the best friend, or at least only a personal preference; and as a matter of fact, not always the best qualified candidate for the office.

It is a branch of faith on the part of a voter who participates in a primary election to vote against the whole or any part of the party ticket so nominated. As a matter of common fairness the nominees of a primary are entitled to the votes of their party. The "Independent" who presumes to exercise his franchise rights in defiance of this moral obligation will better appreciate his offense when he becomes a candidate himself.

There is but one exception to this

rule. If the candidate is incapable or dishonest, or has secured his nomination by corrupt methods, every honest voter is excused from supporting him. One candidate may be better than another in some respects, but if the inferior man is one of fitness and integrity and has been fairly nominated his claim to his party's support should not be ignored, and the voter who intends to be so "Independent" as to ignore it should also ignore the primary and confine his voting to the general election.

We do not always find ourselves able to agree with our more or less esteemed contemporary, the Uniontown Herald. It is, therefore, a pleasure to say that we cordially endorse the following from the editor's columns of that paper:

Once having entered a party primary a voter should be as true to his side by his decision even if his favorite did not win. There is but one excuse for abandoning this position. That is the evidence of absolute dishonesty or gross incompetency which might develop after a primary. More charges are not sufficient for campaigns; are full of baseless charges. Personal antagonism, ill will, spite or factionalism have no place on election day.

The Republican ticket of Connelville from top to bottom possesses the Jeffersonian requisites of honesty, capability and faithful party service; it was nominated in an open and honest primary; it consequently deserves the support of all Republicans, especially all those who participated in that primary.

A single cross-mark will do it.

A MUNICIPAL VALENTINE

LATE BUT APPROPRIATE.

The Valentine period has just passed us by, but let us hope that it is not too late for Connelville and New Haven to receive a large and beautiful one depicting two hearts pierced with the single arrow of Consolidation, inscribed after this fashion:

O heart of mine!
Will thou be mine—
My Valentine?
New Haven?

Mud Island, dear,
Why do you fear?
Take heart of cheer
While crav'ing!

Enough is said,
We will be wed,
And love's led
To saving.

When we're one town
They'll put us down
With double crown—
A city!

And Uniontown
Of some renown
Will surely frown—
A pity!

SERVICE PENSIONS AND INSURANCE FOR LABOR.

Service pensions are becoming general with the large corporations. Service pensions are also becoming general with the small businesses. They establish a more cordial relation between employers and employees, and promote steady and faithful service.

The establishment of an insurance system is another step in the line of this policy which will no doubt come in the near future. The only question to be determined is upon what basis to conduct it. Under the present system the corporate interests which are large employers of labor have no more means of insulating their business in times of disaster than their employees have at calculating the hazard of their employment.

The most reasonable solution of the problem is a general insurance maintained by contributions from all branches of industry, thus giving the operator a fixed annual charge to meet this contingency. Such an industrial insurance combination is a big undertaking to organize and to capitalize, but it is not without the bounds of modern finance.

It seems certain, however, that the uplift of humanity is steadily progressing.

The Washington Reporter calls upon the Grand Jury to investigate certain alleged primary election frauds. It seems to be that this is an unusual proceeding. If there have been frauds and they are known somebody at interest, either directly or through his public spirit, should see the ball in motion by information that would lead to indictment. The Grand Jury is a drag net which may sift the waters of politics without catching a single sucker.

Consolidation is in good, as won. Get on the Band Wagon and be in the Big Parade.

We are advised by the Johnstown Democrat that the Honorable Edward Callaghan of Charleston is a democratic Democrat. The definition comports with our recollection of the Honorable Edward.

The Union forever! Vote for Consolidation.

The Legislature is trying its hand at the business of regulating the State banks and trust companies. This is an era of regulation, especially corporate regulation.

Don't be a Tory!

California's latest attack of Japophobia has passed without serious results.

In order to form a more Perfect Union, provide for the Common Program, promote the General Welfare and secure the Blessings of Prosperity to the People, the Uniontown Herald and New Haven should vote for Consolidation tomorrow.

Mine cage drops mean death.

Let every public spirited and patriotic citizen of Connelville and New Haven fight for Uniontown, even as their forefathers fought for its establishment under Washington and its preservation under Lincoln. The principle involved is the same.

In the disposition to tax everything nowadays we can't understand how natural gas companies and old

men escape. The latter lumber the earth and bring forth no fruit; while the former make it almost impossible for a family man to pay his household expenses.

United we grow and prosper, divided we dwindle and die.

If all of the charges of election frauds made in the United Mine Workers' organization are true there must be a lot of whitewash consumed for the good of the order.

Do the Rebels against Union realize that they are trying to stab Prosperity in the back?

Altoona has foreigners and bugs, but the most dangerous bug in the fire-bug, and Altoona has him, too.

Consolidation has absolutely no relation to taxes and bonds. Taxes are regulated by the cost of government and the demand for improvement; rents, by the immutable law of supply and demand.

Teddy is making all the trouble he can before leaving for the jungle.

Consolidation does not mean Dominion but the deliverance of the community from the dangers of Debility and Decay.

The Puritanical age is in danger of revival. We will hope that the country will be spared this affliction. The Puritans were narrow, nagging and notional. Their character was not such as to make them any more generous than we are, nor which they are made of now.

The Opposition to Consolidation is Chronic, Crookish and all but Criminal.

THE FRESH WATER LOBSTER.

Of the Kinky Menomongahela the Latest Thing is Crab.

The learned gentleman in connection with the Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh have pronounced this country taken from the river here recently, a lobster, and have mounted it and put it on exhibition, there, says the Erie Herald. It will be remembered that the creature was taken from the river alive, but afterwards died from injuries sustained at the time. J. W. Marshall notified the Institute of the find and offered it. A man was at once sent up and took charge of it for mounting and exhibiting. It is said to be a fine specimen, 12 inches in the spread of its claws. If a true lobster, as pronounced by the scientific men who ought to know, there is some mystery as to how it got from its habitat in salt water. The Carnegie Institute men think it may have been dropped from a passing boat, but the men on the sand-diggers say it is not unusual to find these big "cray-fish" as they call them in the river. Can it be that there are fresh water lobsters in our river, living and propagating their species?

How Boys Were Bowed Out.

Major Thomas P. Bowdoin of Fredericksburg, Va., held his position as an old contract made in the year 1890 between his grandfather, John Wallace, of Stafford, and James Cook for service for a year. The terms are that Mr. Wallace was to give Cook 20 shillings, a coat, waistcoat, three shirts, one pair of breeches, one pair of trousers and stockings and one hat. Cook binds himself to serve faithfully said Wallace, obey all his commands, keep his secret, keep out of the army and navy, and break none of the Ten Commandments and not to leave the premises of Wallace, without permission for a period of a year.

Talking Machines and Phonographs.

Waynesburg Messenger.

The divorce business seems to be in a flourishing condition in Greene county just now. The trouble with some men is they seem to think a "talking machine" is the same as a phonograph, and because they are so stupidly ignorant they are unable to "change the records" when they become monotonous.

Campbell County's Hefty Lad.

James Callaghan, a resident of Ebensburg, Cambria county, celebrated his 40th birthday anniversary. He was born in Duncannon, County Kerry, Ireland, February 13, 1866, and came to America 50 years ago. Despite his age, he is enjoying excellent health, eats well and has good eyesight.

Classified Ads

One Cent a Word.

Wanted.

WANTED—AT ONCE, PIANO PLAYER and singer for Stuy Family Theatre. Must be a good man, good pay, J. A. MOORE, Star Junction.

WANTED—SALES MANAGER, FOR Eastern manufacturing company. Must be good business man. Have a few hundred dollars. Address: BOX 84, PITTSBURGH, Pa. 15060.

WANTED—LIVE, HUSBANDLY MAN or woman to do housework, willing to do any kind of work. Big profits for active workers. Write for particulars. WALKER, P. O. BOX 1000, PITTSBURGH, Pa. 15060.

WANTED—AGENTS TO SELL OUR RUGS, carpets, covering, accidents, sickness and death; and insured to both men and women; all occupations; giving \$5,000 death and \$10 weekly benefit; costing but \$5 per annum; something entirely new; extra large commissions given. Address: NATIONAL ACCIDENT SOCIETY, 220 Broadway, New York. Established 24 years. 15060.

For Rent.

FOR RENT—ONE 6-ROOM HOUSE. Modern conveniences. 115 COTTAGE AVENUE. 15060.

FOR RENT—LARGE FURNISHED front room, with bath for gentlemen. STETSON, 208 COTTAGE AVENUE. 15060.

For Sale.

FOR SALE—GODDIE HORSE. Four year old, white, selling for \$100. J. O. GRANTHAM, Seattle, Pa. 15060.

FOR SALE—TWO-CHAIR BARBER shop. Best paying stand in Westmoreland county; good business, all cash trade. Hot and cold water; gas, heat and light. Reason for selling. Price, \$250. Rent \$5. THOMAS COOPER, Tarr Station. 15060.

STABLE-BRAND PLUMBING CO.

Plumbing, tinning, slating, hot water, steam and hot air heating. Repair work of all kinds promptly attended to. Estimates cheerfully furnished on all contracts. Office 325 S. Pittsburgh Street. 15060.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

125, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburgh Street.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Western, Pennsylvania.—Snow and colder today, much colder in south portion, with a cold wave at night.

NEW SPRING GOODS

Showing lots of new things at this store just now. Goods and garments that we are anxious to have you see and price.

After the holidays stocks were lower at this store than for some time and this means more new goods than we had to show for seasons past. We will be glad to have your opinion of these new goods as they come in. Tell us whether you like them or not. Goods and garments here that you will enjoy seeing and examining. No matter whether you buy or not.

New Dress Goods at 50c the Yard.

Showing a window full of new weaves and colorings at this price. More of them in the dress goods stock. Goods that are worth at least a half more and look to be worth twice as much as this price of 50 cents. Form an opinion of our entire dress goods stock from this showing at 50 cents the yard.

New Percales and Gingham at 12 1/2c.

More of these to show you this week. New patterns and new colorings. Never before sold so many of these at this season of the year. Don't know how many of these choice patterns we will have later on but do know that with the showing as large as it is now that it is a good time to do your choosing.

New Embroideries and Laces.

Pretty good assortment of these at hand just now and better priced than ever before. Some here at all prices but a good example of the way they are priced is the table of embroideries and laces at 15 cents the yard. You'll find them just as you enter the door.

New Suits.

Suppose we talk prices first. Commencing at \$20.00 and from that on up to \$45.00. We've a collection here that will interest you if you have a suit thought for the coming spring. Take the suits at \$20.00 as an example, examine the material. See how well they are made. Try them on and note the fit and then remember that we told you before that we intended to do this suit business on a closer margin of profit than we believed most stores could afford. Believed that we were in a position to do this and ask you to come and see the suits we have in plain cloths and fancy.

The New Rugs.

9 by 12 rugs at from \$15.00 up to \$45.00. The \$15.00 ones are a wire tapestry and the \$45.00 ones are Art Loom Wiltons. Most any one of our magazines have a story to tell you about Art Loom goods and you'll do well to read it. At in-between prices we have Stinson velvet at \$25.00 and Body Brussels rugs at \$25.00 and \$30.00. Also Electric Axminster rugs for \$27.00. Best time now to do your choosing and we will take care of your choice and deliver it when you say.

New Lace Curtains.

Notice these curtains we had in the window last week at \$20.00 and \$25.00 the pair. More of the same quality this week. 2 1/2 yard length and we never had better curtains to show you for the price.

Something Old.

Want to buy a coat for \$3.90. A table of these in the cloak room. Misses' sizes and you can buy any one of them for \$3.00. Misses' sizes only.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

125, 131 and 133 N. Pittsburgh Street.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

Annual Skirt Sale.

Wednesday, February 17, 8:30 A. M. We

Will Place on Sale 120 Dress Skirts of

Panama, Chiffon Panama and Voile,

in Blue, Brown and Black; Some

Half Price; others Less than Half.

SKIRTS \$2.90

FOR SKIRTS THAT WERE \$5.90

SKIRTS \$3.90

FOR SKIRTS THAT WERE \$7.90

SKIRTS \$4.90

FOR SKIRTS THAT WERE \$8.90

10 Black Taffeta Silk Skirts at Less Than

Half Price.

\$10.00 SKIRTS \$4.90

\$12.50 SKIRTS \$5.90

\$13.50 SKIRTS \$5.90

\$15.50 SKIRTS \$7.90

Ladies' White Lawn Waists.

Trimmed with Lace and Embroidery, 33 1/3% off.

\$1.00 WAISTS 67c

\$1.50 WAISTS \$1.00

\$2.50 WAISTS \$1.67

\$5.50 WAISTS \$3.67

Children's White Bear Skin Coats

One lot slightly soiled.

HALF PRICE.

All other Bear Skin Coats 25% Off.

SPECIAL FOR FOUR DAYS.

Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and

Wednesday. Over 100 dozen yards of

lace and insertions.

For 4 Days at 29c the Bolt.

(One dozen yards to the bolt; sold by the bolt only.)

Embroidery Beading.

Only 27 pieces of Embroidery

Beading, 5 and 6 yards to the piece, at

2c the yard, by the piece only.

106 W. MAIN STREET, CONNELLSVILLE.

STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, COUNTY

of Fayette, ss.

Before me, the subscriber, a Notary

Public within and for said County and

State, personally appeared James J.

Driscoll, who being duly sworn according

to law, did depose and say:

That he is Manager of Circulation of

The Courier, a daily newspaper published

in Connelville, Pa., and that the number of

papers printed during the week ending

Saturday, February 13, 1906, was as follows:

February 8.....4,484

February 9.....4,578

February 10.....4,584

February 11.....4,183

February 12.....4,128

February 13.....4,192

Total.....36,448

Daily Average.....6,074

That the daily circulation by months

for 1907 was as follows:

1907. Total. Daily

Month. Copies. Avg.

January.....141,753 4,485

February.....131,106 4,405

March.....146,597 4,732

April.....127,236 4,268

May.....143,515 4,644

June.....140,803 4,540

July.....141,051 4,550

August.....138,721 4,475

September.....140,996 4,548

October.....136,772 4,415

November.....142,643 4,599

December.....145,996 4,716

Total.....1,581,094 4,540

And further sayeth not.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 10th day of February, 1906.

JOHN KURTZ, Notary Public.

The Desideratum.

"I want an airship, hubby."

"What for?"

"So we can look down on our neighbors."—Philadelphia Press.

Vote for Evans for Burgess.

A Clean Sweep.

The Greatest Sale

This store has ever experienced is now going on. Those who were not able to be waited on last Saturday will still have an opportunity all this week.

THIS SALE SIMPLY MEANS

That every \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoe for men or women in our store will be sold now at

TWO PICKPOCKETS IN SCOTSDALE.

Swede Alleged to Have Been
Robbed of His
Watch.

CAPTURED IN CONNELLSVILLE

Then They Were Let Go—Mrs. N. E. Smith and Ralph B. Kuhns Are Recent Deaths—Other News Notes of the Mill Town.

SCOTSDALE, Feb. 15.—This burg is taking on metropolitan airs in having plenty of burglaries, including a newspaper office, during the past week and ending up in pickpockets going through the crowds that thronged the street Saturday night. A Swede from Swedetown was shown some rings by two fellows in front of the postoffice, where there was an extra large crowd waiting for valentines and after the Swede fended off the efforts to sell him a ring, or so, he discovered that he had been subtracted from his watch. The two traveling jewelry stores were gone, and the victim made a quick Swedish movement down Pittsburg street. He saw the two fellows that he suspected of enjoying his timepiece on the south corner of Broadway and Chief Frank McCudden on the other corner. The victim ran to the policeman and at that time the Swede got his story told the fellows had made good their escape. When McCudden got Connelville over the phone some time later he found that the two men had been arrested there for trying to go through a citizen when they had evidently arrived from Scottdale, but that they had put up such a clear story that they were let go. A. N. Beatty's house in Brownstown was gone through early Saturday morning, and some clothing, some money and a child's book were taken. The bank was discovered open in the back yard broken open.

Mrs. N. E. Smith Dead.
Izabella Cunningham, wife of Nathan E. Smith, died at their home Friday night and will be buried from her late residence on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. On October 17 Mrs. Smith returned from Mt. Pleasant hospital where she had undergone an operation for cancer, and knew that her days were numbered. The deceased is survived by her husband and two children, a daughter married and living at Irwin, and George, at home.

The Great Americans Shown.
The First National Bank has hung in the directors room three of the finest examples of historical portraiture probably ever brought to town, and ones that have been attracting the eye of all beholders, since the one of Abraham Lincoln was hung in their windows on the birthday of the greatest American. The other two portraits are those of William McKinley and George Washington, and the latter will soon go into the window as the 22nd of February is near. The portraits are large etchings by Jacques Reich, and are quite valuable.

Word was received here late Saturday evening of the death of Ralph B. Kuhns, aged 33, at the Woodmen's Home at Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he had gone for his health a few weeks ago. Mr. Kuhns was the proprietor of the large bakery on Broadway, which is being conducted by his wife. He was a clerk for the Union Supply Company for a number of years and was located at Jintown and in the new Klondyke and coming to Scottdale a few years ago became clerk for the U. S. East Iron & Foundry Company, leaving that to start up in the baking business. He is survived by his wife and daughter.

Big Crowds Out Saturday.
While Saturday's weather was not up to the fine standard of the major part of the week, it was still much better than the two previous Saturdays, and in the evening there were more people on the streets than have been out for several weeks. One of the things that contributed more or less to the crowd was the Valentine Day occasion, which caused many hearts to flutter over tokens of the day, either to give, and many to receive. Post Cards were sent by thousands and the letter carriers were busy putting them out all the week.

A Lincoln Stamp.
If the postoffice had had a sign out that they were possessors of the Lincoln stamps they would have sold many more, although all who bought two cent stamps on Friday and Saturday were given the Lincoln stamps. There were 3,000 of them ordered for Scottdale, and they will be used until the supply is exhausted. The stamps is of the regulation color, has a side view of the great Emancipator, and under the portrait "1909, Feb. 12, 1909" marking the centenary.

Grand Fair.
To be held in parochial school house on 7th street, New Haven, for the benefit of the Trinity Roman Catholic Church, New Haven. Over 400 articles for raffle. Tickets 10 cents. Commencing Wednesday, February 17, at 4 o'clock P. M. Everybody invited.

Snader For Tax Collector.
Running for dear life! What? Snader for Tax Collector.

Vote for Evans for Burgons.

J. LEWIS EVANS

The Successful Workingman.



John Lewis Evans who seeks the support of the voters of town at the polls tomorrow is a man of whom the citizens should feel proud, and whether he is successful or whether he is defeated he will be found doing business in the old town in which he has grown up and which he loves, and in which he expects to end his days. Speaking of his candidacy and his chances this morning, Mr. Evans said: "Jim Buttermore and I have always been friends, we don't really have anything to fight over. I have a lively stable, which I am trying to make better every year, but Jim has been much more fortunate than me. Instead of buying horses and rigs he bought coal and is now wealthy. It's all the more to his credit. I don't have a thing in the world against him and if he beats me out at the polls tomorrow I won't forget to be the first man to congratulate him."

HAS SCHOOL BOARD BEEN EXTRAVAGANT?

To Voters of Dunbar Township:

I have been asked by a number of voters of Dunbar township to write an article on the present administration in the township. After examining the audits of the School Board and Road Supervisors for 1907 we found the worst jumbled and mixed accounts that were ever given out for publication. No Board of Auditors in a civilized and intelligent community ought to publish such a condemnation, as it is an insult to intelligent taxpayers, and a warning is given to both School Directors and Supervisors that people will not stand for any more such explanations as the 1907 audit, as to where the taxes are going and what their money is being used for.

The school audit is only a partial audit and is misleading, not a word is said about the outstanding bonds. Is the School Board ashamed to give out the amount of the bonded indebtedness of the township? Let them answer this question before election morning. Are the present directors who are up for reelection afraid to give to the voters the amount of their indebtedness and explain to them how it comes that we are assessed eight mills for school purposes. Never in the history of Dunbar township was the millage for school tax above five mills until the present board was elected.

They point with pride to the High School building and the Liberty school house, and the Greenwood building. The taxpayers are pointing with shame to the reported bond issue. Will \$40,000 cover the amount of indebtedness and pay off the bonds? Will \$50,000 cover the whole amount?

Let the School Board answer, for it does not appear from the audit that the School Board has any indebtedness.

The School Board need not take the stand that these bonds are not indebtedness until they mature. Is there not

have no hesitancy in requesting all the working men to vote for me, because I am a working man myself and I have to have my business go along whether I am elected or not and I feel that I am a working man, too, and know what the working man does."

Mr. Evans does not make the least pretense of being above the ordinary man. He is willing and pleased to be upon the same level, working his way along with the great common crowd, which after all is in the majority. He is willing to let them decide whether he shall be "Burgon" or "the town's man," whether he shall share their troubles and shortcomings and whether he shall be just and fair to them.

It is a momentous question with many, but it is important. Mr. Evans asks all that they decide as they think and feel, irrespective of politics and religion. He is the same broad minded man in politics that he is in his business, and the man that votes for his opponent will be just as highly respected as the man that votes for him. In Mr. Evans' view everyone has a right to his own particular ideas and opinions, his own religion and his own politics and these things are never thought of in the every day warfare of a political campaign. But there is this about it all a vote for Lou Evans means a vote for a good man who represents the town's welfare and who will decide matters of importance himself, and it will not take snap or political judgment either, but the judgment of a careful, painstaking man. Whether Lou Evans is elected or not, and whether your vote is cast for him, it is safe to say that it will not be lost, even should it be on the minority side of the column. Adv.

a sinking fund provided to pay these bonds when they mature? If not how does the present board expect this debt to be paid?

What does this item mean in the 1907 audit? "Cr. amt. paid care for High School pupils \$128.84."

Where does the School Board get any authority to pay one cent care for High School pupils? The school laws of 1907, page 66, allows transportation, where a school has been closed because of small attendance, but not a word about allowing for transportation to High School scholars.

What was the cost of the addition to the High School building? Did the School Board advertise for bids for this addition? If so, what paper did they advertise in?

Has any member of the present Board done anything to entitle him to reelection, for another term, as a School Director? Let the people answer on next Tuesday.

A VOTER AND TAXPAYER.

NEW HAVEN MEN ARE AGAIN ARRESTED

Prosecution of Sunday Violators Goes Merrily On and Fines Are Paid As Usual.

James Ross, a New Haven merchant, was given a hearing this morning before Squire P. M. Buttermore of New Haven on a charge of violating the Sunday Observance law. The information was made last night at midnight by Constable William Shrum of New Haven. Ross paid his fine and cost which amounted to \$5.00. This morning Ross, Mike Zitar, Mrs. Anna Grigack, Benjamin Sig and Ben Casano were notified to appear before Squire Colley at Percy Wednesday morning between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock, on the same charge. The information was made by John Ward the Sunday Observance man. The warrant was served this morning by the constable at Percy.

Vote for Snader for Tax Collector.

WRIGHT-METZLER CO.

FAYETTE COUNTY'S FASTEST GROWING STORE.

An Event in White.



THIS WEEK is "White Week" here, hundreds of yards of snowy dress fabrics are being taken from their wooden cases and piled high on the counters. Daintily striped dimities, sheer gauzy swisses, barred madras, embroidered waistings and beautiful new weaves that you will see here for the first time.

This is the first attempt we have ever made to present an exhibit of this nature. We were never, previously, able to do so, because of lack of space and comprehensiveness of stocks, but showing domestics in the basement has given us more space on the main floor. We are now in position to vie with the largest of city stores in the matter of white materials. We'll demonstrate this fully next week when counters, ledges, cages, aisle tables and every available space will be utilized in the presentation of the authentic white materials for the season of '09. This display is meant as a show, it is not a special buying event. Our object is to impress upon you the broad scope of our white goods department, in addition to dress materials will be presented thousands of yards of new embroideries and insertions. The most beautiful designs we've ever shown.

This display is the outcome of weeks of preparation and work. No pains have been spared in making it complete. It now affords you an opportunity to view the newest of 1909 fabrics and gain authoritative knowledge regarding the correct weaves and fabrics of the coming season. We desire that every woman in this vicinity visit the store this week; it will prove educational to you and will repay us for all the preparations we have made.

A Stirring Sale of Muslin Underwear That Will Attract Many Women to Our Second Floor.

Our entire second floor space will be given over to the underwear sale. Both our suit and millinery departments will be thrown into one immense display of women's muslin undergarments. Table after table will be loaded down with fresh snowy garments, every one of them priced at a radical saving to you. Here's a partial list of the price reductions.

MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S GARMENTS.		WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR.		DRAWERS.	
Gowns.		Skirts.		25c Drawers at	
50c Gowns at	39c	\$1.00 Skirts at	85c	50c Drawers at	19c
75c Gowns at	58c	\$1.50 Skirts at	\$1.19	75c Drawers at	38c
Drawers.		\$2.00 Skirts at	\$1.60	\$1.00 Drawers at	59c
20c Drawers at	14c	\$2.50 Skirts at	\$1.85	\$1.50 Drawers at	\$1.19
25c Drawers at	19c	\$3.00 Skirts at	\$2.15	\$2.50 Drawers at	\$1.88
30c Drawers at	23c	\$3.50 Skirts at	\$2.85	KNEE LENGTH SKIRTS.	
35c Drawers at	27c	\$4.00 Skirts at	\$3.85	50c Skirts at	37c
Skirts.		\$5.00 Skirts at	\$4.10	75c Skirts at	58c
25c Skirts at	19c	COMBINATION SUITS.		1.00 Skirts at	79c
39c Skirts at	29c	\$1.00 Suits at	85c	\$1.50 Skirts at	\$1.18
50c Skirts at	37c	\$1.25 Suits at	\$1.00	\$2.00 Skirts at	\$1.69
Skirts, with body attached.		\$1.50 Suits at	\$1.19	MUSLIN GOWNS.	
25c Skirts at	19c	50c Chemise at	42c	50c Gowns at	39c
\$1.00 Skirts at	69c	75c Chemise at	59c	75c Gowns at	58c
\$1.25 Skirts at	99c	\$1.00 Chemise at	79c	\$1.00 Gowns at	80c
INFANTS' LONG SKIRTS (attached waists.)		\$1.25 Chemise at	89c	\$1.25 Gowns at	\$1.05
25c Skirts at	19c	\$1.50 Chemise at	\$1.00	\$1.50 Gowns at	\$1.18
50c Skirts at	39c	CORSET COVERS.		\$2.00 Gowns at	\$1.68
75c Skirts at	58c	25c Covers at	19c	\$3.00 Gowns at	\$2.45
85c Skirts at	64c	35c Covers at	22c	\$3.50 Gowns at	\$2.88
\$1.00 Skirts at	79c	50c Covers at	39c	BRIDAL SETS Of 4 Pieces.	
\$1.75 Skirts at	\$1.35	75c Covers at	59c	\$10.00 Sets at	\$7.50
		\$1.00 Covers at	79c		
		\$1.50 Covers at	\$1.19		

We Direct Attention to the Many New Waist Models Being Displayed Here:

Much interest will be shown in the many new models that will be displayed here during white week. Tailored linen waists priced from \$5.00 to \$15.00 and medium priced waists, some even so low as 85c, but every model, no matter how little the price, is authoritative. We trust that "White Week" may prove all we expect of it in correct style instruction.